

GERMANY FIGHTS FOR A FREE SEA

So Says Dr. Bernhard Dernburg, Warning American Exporters.

MAY LOSE GERMAN TRADE

Kaiser's Spokesman Criticizes Alleged Anti-Teuton Feeling in America. Fears No Food Shortage.

New York, Jan. 9.—Dr. Bernhard Dernburg, former imperial German colonial secretary, and next to Count von Helldorf, the recognized spokesman of Kaiser William in America, addressing the Republican Club this afternoon, said: "I think everybody agrees that the present European war is a world calamity, threatening property and civilization alike, and that it must be the duty of all well-meaning people to see to it that its causes are permanently removed. "Already a great deal of damage has been done to the prosperity of the world. Let me speak first of the commercial side. The trade of all countries has been dislocated to an alarming extent. Most of the German overseas trade has been stopped. Neutral shipping is being disturbed seriously. Merchant vessels are lacking, and enormous freights are being charged by the only nation (the English) that has any bottoms to offer. "Constant interference with the shipping of this country has terrified American exporters. This may be a necessary consequence of a state of war, but the danger and the fear must be less this dislocation of trade become permanent.

War of Starvation. "The war waged by England against Germany is a war of starvation. It is based on the contention (contrary to proof and to the rule of three) that foodstuffs going into Germany would primarily serve to feed 7,000,000 soldiers in the field and not 130,000,000 people at home. That has, of course, produced countermeasures. "Every available spot in Germany has been planted this fall with wheat and other foodstuffs imported, so there can be no doubt that the shortage of 6 per cent of foodstuffs that has so far been imported will be fully made up. To replace wheat bread, rye and corn mixed make a very nourishing bread. American benzine is largely replaced by benzol, a volatile matter gained in the production of coke. Instead of copper a great many alloys of other metals containing a small percentage of copper are being tried. Instead of American cotton large quantities of Indian cotton come in by way of Italy. The same holds good as to coffee and tea, rubber and other products in which the United States is less interested.

"If the people have once for some considerable time discarded the use of certain products it is difficult to bring them back again to their former habits. "As long as a repetition of the present calamity is to be feared the countries must go on to make themselves independent permanently in order not to be placed again in the same straits. "A difficulty is added by the great deal of ill will shown in the United States against Germany and Austria, for reasons I do not want to go into now, which I do not consider justified. "We, in Germany, believe that the people here have been influenced by false reports and have been unable to get at the truth. But there are signs that Germany and Austria are commencing to think that the truth ought to have penetrated over here by this time, and it is humanly impossible (much as I should like to contradict it), that resentment should not spring up and make itself felt."

"To my mind the whole fight and all the fight is, on the one side, for an absolute dominion of the seven seas, and, on the other side, for a free sea.

"A free sea will mean a cessation of war danger and a stopping of world wars. "The sea is free to all. It belongs to no nation in particular, neither to the British, nor to the Germans, nor to the Americans. The rights of the contiguous nations cease with the territorial line of three miles from low tide. Any dominion exercised beyond that line is a breach and infringement on the rights of the others. "If you want to do away with wars in the future we must put the prize for which the wars are being fought beyond the reach of any one competitor. We must re-establish that 'free sea' to be ruled upon by the merchant marine of all nations."

GATES' WIDOW TO WED CONNECTICUT CROESUS

Engagement to Harold Lee Judd, Second, of New Britain, Is Announced.

Hartford, Jan. 9.—Harold Lee Judd, 24, one of the wealthiest young men of New Britain, where he is prominent socially, will be married January 20 at Minneapolis to Mrs. Charles G. Gates, twenty-seven, widow of the son of the famous John W. Gates.

The best man will be Philip Corbin, who has just inherited \$100,000 from the estate of his grandfather, Philip Corbin, founder of the American Hardware Company. The marriage date became known here today.

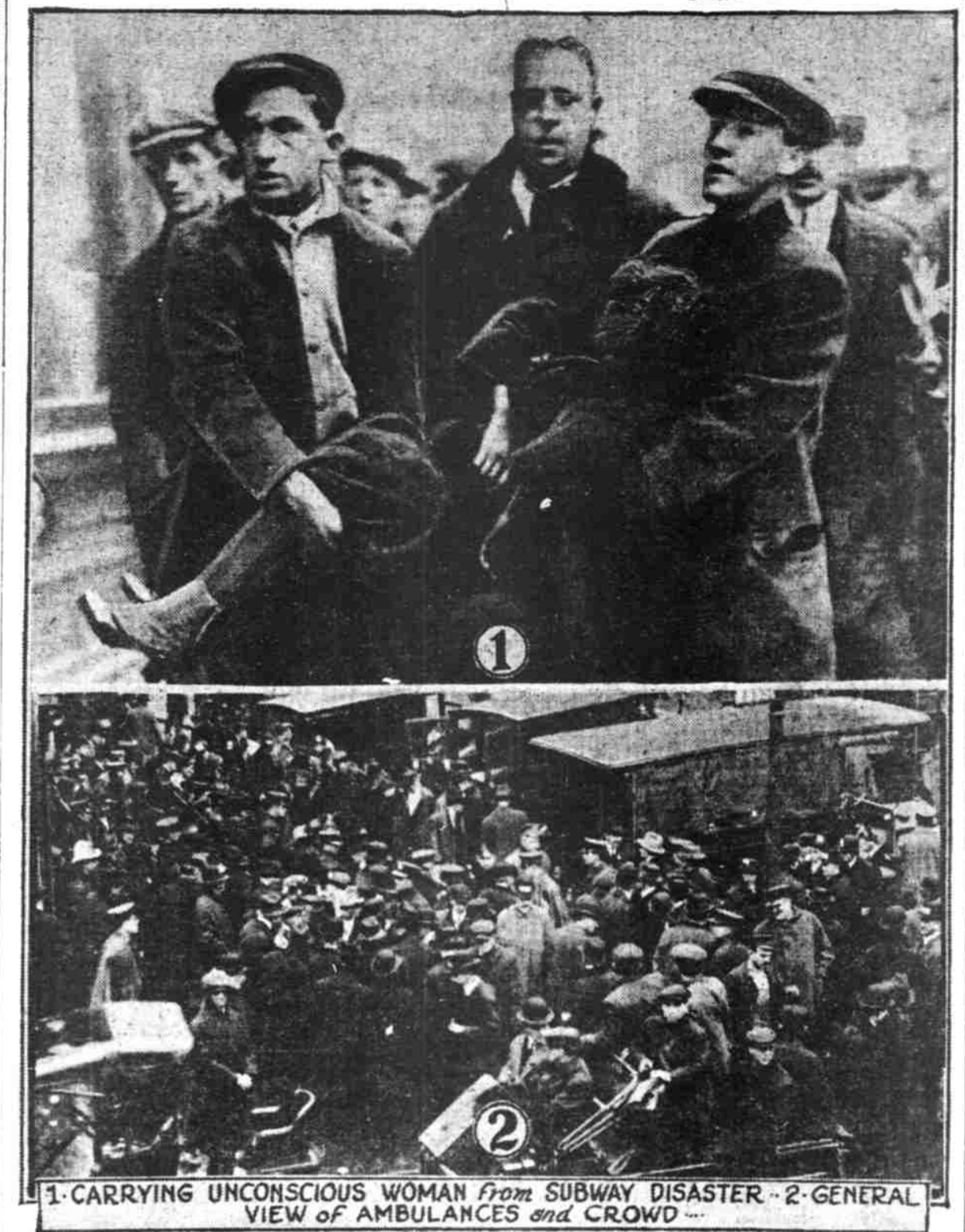
The second wife of Charles G. Gates, who inherited his entire estate, amounting to about \$150,000, was before her marriage Miss Florence Hopwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Hopwood, of Minneapolis.

Mr. Judd, who is a cousin of Senator George M. Landers, is a grandson of the late Mrs. Josephine Judd, who left him a big interest in the North & Judd Company, of which Senator Landers is president. Mrs. Gates met Mr. Judd at Palm Beach and has visited in New Britain.

FIFTY BOMBS IN HIS HOME. Trenton, N. J., Jan. 9.—Detectives who have been searching for the author of letters threatening the destruction of city hall today arrested Louis Dapelle, whose home fifty bombs are alleged to have been found.

Recent a bomb was found in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church. Dapelle recently came here from North Carolina. He gave the police the names of two persons for whom search is being made.

PICTURES OF NEW YORK'S FIRST BIG SUBWAY DISASTER; NEARLY 200 TAKEN TO HOSPITALS



1-CARRYING UNCONSCIOUS WOMAN FROM SUBWAY DISASTER-2-GENERAL VIEW OF AMBULANCES AND CROWD

The upper picture shows citizens carrying an unconscious woman from the first fatal subway disaster in New York City to a temporary hospital in a nearby building. The lower picture shows some of the crowd and the ambulances around the scene of the accident at Fifty-fifth street and Broadway, New York City. The disaster was caused by a fire which occurred when the main feed fuse blew out, stopping the entire subway system in the rush hours of the morning. Nearly 200 were taken to hospitals. One woman was killed.

CONGRESSIONAL UNION WILL MEET TONIGHT

Representative Mondell and Mrs. P. Lawrence Are to Address Women Fighting for Ballot.

Representative Frank W. Mondell, of Wyoming, and Mrs. Pethwick Lawrence, of England, will be the principal speakers at the annual meeting of the Congressional Union, which takes place at Rauchers tonight at 8 o'clock. Representative Mondell will speak on the resolution which bears his name, and on which a vote will be taken in the House on Tuesday. Mrs. Pethwick Lawrence will speak on the vote to be taken on an "international standpoint." The annual meeting of the union falls at a most opportune time, as many of the prominent members of the advisory council and the executive committee will remain over for the vote. Speaker Clark has given 100 tickets, in the gallery, which will be reserved for the distinguished out of town guests. Members of the union will be present in large numbers to hear the debate.

UNITARIANS WILL BID VAN SCHAICK GOOD-BY

Dr. Pierce and Congregation to Visit Pastor and People of Universalist Church This Morning.

The entire congregation of All Souls' Unitarian Church is to bid good-by and good luck to Rev. John Van Schaick, Jr., pastor of the Universalist Church of Our Father, who will leave for Europe January 24, to join in relief work there. Rev. Dr. L. G. B. Pierce, pastor of All Souls', will conclude morning services at this church today in time to go with his congregation to Rev. Dr. Van Schaick's Church.

Rev. Dr. Pierce will be spokesman for his congregation. He has asked permission to speak from the pulpit regarding Rev. Dr. Van Schaick's decision to leave his parish and go to Europe.

Red-Haired Lad Missing. Edgar Williams, nine years old, red hair, freckle face, was reported to the police yesterday as missing from 231 O street northwest.

PRICE OF BREAD TO SOAR; MEAT SOON BEYOND REACH

Wheat Rise Imposes War Conditions on Nation—Leaves to Diminish in Size—Armour Predicts Increase in Beef Cost.

Two slices of bread to an order, two doughnuts, 5 cents, a slice of pie, 10 cents, in restaurants and lunchrooms, while for housewives, 12-ounce bread at 6 or 7 cents, and an equal advance in the price of pastries, are some of the pleasant possibilities held for the spring by Washington bread and pastry bakers.

"Times will be hard," indeed, when flour retails at \$10 a barrel, but such is predicted from present soaring tendencies, when, within the past week, flour started upward at advances of 20 cents a day to the barrel.

War Prices Prevail Now. Spanish-American war prices already prevail, wheat flour retailing at \$8 to \$8.50 a barrel. Some merchants are optimistic, saying that the price will break shortly and start downward, while others look for \$10 flour for spring.

And there is no suitable substitute for bread, as there is for many other staple and necessary commodities. During the fall of 1914, when sugar prices were almost prohibitive, many people, especially during the fruit-canning season, used glucose and karo. Butter can be replaced, if necessary, by oleo margarine. But housewives say there is no substitute for wheat bread, unless corn or rye flour is used and large quantities of potatoes and other starchy foods are eaten.

Bakers in Washington are holding almost daily conferences with their office forces to discuss the question. Some have decreased their loaf to 14 ounces, from the usual pound. All agree that the price will be raised to six cents, with possibly a greater reduction in weight, if present supplies are not replenished at a lower cost.

Denver, New York, Chicago and many other cities are selling 14 ounce bread for six cents.

Ever Hear of Such Things?

Greenport, N. Y., Jan. 9.—Elisha Conklin, age not known, seeks a bride. She must not be younger than fifty-eight or older than sixty-two. She must have been born in North America. Further than that he doesn't care.

Ossining, N. Y., Jan. 9.—Edward L. Ryder, who sued the New York Central Railroad for 2 cents excess fare collected from him was awarded the amount and \$6 costs of the trial.

Carlstadt, N. J., Jan. 9.—Blood poisoning, which had developed from a tiny splinter that had stuck in her finger ten days ago, caused the death of Mrs. Mary Outwater, aged ninety-one.

Garden City, N. J., Jan. 9.—Fearing that express company employes would handle it roughly, Mrs. Mary Richter carried the head of her dead pet collie to the Pasture Institute to see if it had the rabies. The dog bit Mrs. Richter and her physician ordered that it be killed.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 9.—J. Ogden Armour fears a crisis in beef production. He issued a warning to the public today, outlining grave conditions in the cattle-raising industry. He indicated that beef soon may become a luxury beyond the reach of the poor man, as the United States beef production is declining at an alarming rate.

"We are now a meat importing nation," said he. "Cattle receipts at the six principal Western markets have been shrinking for nine years. The receipts now are the smallest in thirty years. Since 1900 the population has increased over 20 per cent, while beef cattle declined more than 20 per cent. In the same period the slaughter of calves increased 600 per cent."

"There are now 38,000,000 head against 31,000,000 seven years ago. The prices have advanced so that the total cattle now represents \$250,000,000 more than the \$200,000,000 did in 1907."

Herds Are Vanishing. "Millions of acres of Texas ranch land have been parcelled out to appease the insatiable land hunger, not of legitimate homesteaders, but of land speculators."

This has caused the disappearance of enormous herds from which the Northwestern range region as well as the corn belt had for years drawn steadily.

"The withdrawal of public lands in the West through irrigation projects and dry farming schemes have forced the breaking up of large range operations. In time it is possible these cut up ranges can produce more and better cattle in small herds, but the new era will not dawn for a long time."

"The time has come for all concerned—the packer, the farmer, the dealer and the consumer—to give heed to the menace of the growing beef shortage in this country and to realize that this situation will become more acute instead of improving in years to come."

"There is no problem before this nation today more important than the rehabilitation of the beef industry. The farmer must receive every practical encouragement to put the beef cattle back on his lands and to conduct his business in such a way that the cattle and agricultural branches will be balanced so that there will be an ample object in the success of each."

Dies of "Sleeping Sickness."

Tewksbury, Mass., Jan. 9.—The first case of African "sleeping sickness" ever recorded in Massachusetts has resulted fatally. The victim, Iroia Nuna, native of the Cape Verde Islands, died at the Tewksbury State Infirmary. His periods of sleep extended from four to five hours, with a waking interval of from fifteen minutes to an hour.

Police Raid Poolroom.

Police from the Sixth precinct raided a pool room on the second floor at 119 Four-and-a-Half street northwest last night and got fourteen men, George Dofas, a Greek, and five negroes were charged with setting up a gaming table.

FIELDS AND PATHS ARE OPEN TO EQUESTRIANS

Riders Will Turn Out in Large Numbers Today—Drag Hunt Held by Riding Club Yesterday.

After a spell of King Winter that put a crimp for a week or more in the equestrian set here, the riding paths and open fields again are in shape, and today is expected to witness a continuation of the big Sunday turnouts of riders which have marked this winter prominently.

After a series of disappointments, the Riding and Hunt Club yesterday staged a successful drag hunt, and found the going good but a trifle soft.

Plans for an early paper chase are being worked up by the Dupont Riding school, which has taken the lead here in this form of equestrian sport. If dry weather continues through the week, the next Dupont chase probably will be run a week from today. A large party of cross-country riders will start from the Dupont this morning to survey the ground and map out probable routes for the affair.

Even during the recent cold weather and the thaw that followed, the riding paths in Potomac Park remained footable enough for an enjoyable ride almost any time of day, and Col. Hart's workers are applying additional cinders constantly.

Friday the word was passed around that the picturesque paths in Rock Creek Park were again open to the saddle horses, and even the approaches to the made jumps were dried out sufficient for jumping yesterday.

The French government has decided to mount its cavalry on horses from the "Blue Grass" country exclusively. It was revealed yesterday when R. F. Carman, one of the best known turfmen in the country, left for Lexington and Louisville, Ky., with an order in his pocket for the purchase of 60,000 remounts for the French government. This is but the initial order and Carman states he is going to buy all the horses he can get hold of.

Pennsylvania's legislature will this winter be asked to report many business regulation statutes.

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